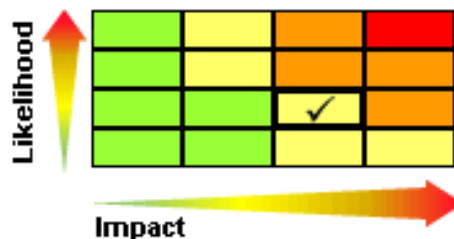
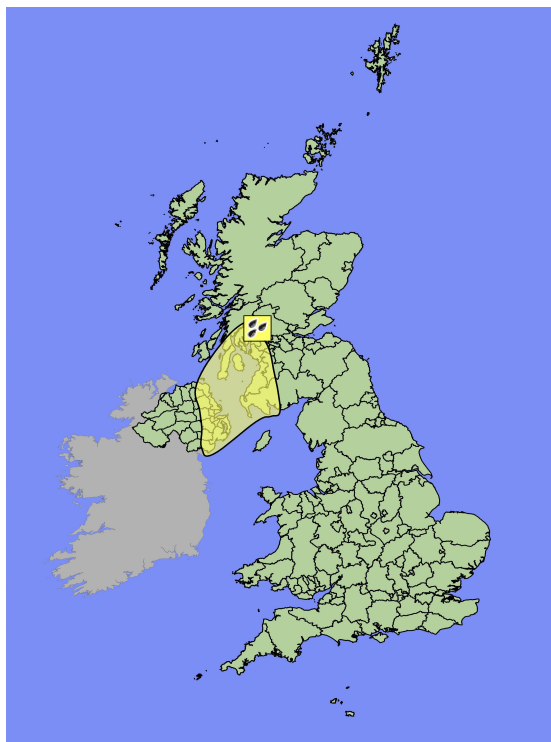




National Severe Weather Warning Service



Chief Forecasters Assessment

A vigorous depression, located just to the southwest of the UK, will gradually drift northwards to lie over Ireland by the end of the day. Its associated frontal band has already brought spells of heavy rain this morning and will be replaced by frequent heavy, blustery, showers through this afternoon and night. Up to 15mm of rain could fall in the space of an hour or two with 40 to 50mm accumulating locally by tomorrow morning. The heaviest showers are expected to become increasingly confined to the east of Northern Ireland during the second half of the night.

Strong winds will also remove some leaves and small branches from trees with this debris potentially exacerbating drainage problems.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning of Rain**

Valid from **06:00 on Wed, 17th Oct 2012** until **08:00 on Thu, 18th Oct 2012**

Frequent heavy, blustery showers are expected during Wednesday afternoon and night. With the ground already saturated in places this will bring the risk of localised flooding, especially over some eastern parts of Northern Ireland.

For more details please go to:

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